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U.S. SOCCER ENVOY MARY HARVEY IN SUDBURY

Sudbury, Canada – As part of the U.S. Department of State's Sports United Envoy Program, the U.S. Mission in Canada is programming two Olympian female soccer envoys across Canada in June as part of a mission-wide sports engagement strategy in relation to the upcoming FIFA Women's World Cup (June 6-July 5, 2015), the Pan Am Games (July 10-26, 2015), and the Para Pan Games (August 7-15, 2015). This Soccer Envoy program will provide life and sports skills for indigenous girls, newcomers, and other underserved communities within Canada. The athletes selected for Mission Canada are Lori Lindsey, who traveled to Vancouver (June 16-18) and Yellowknife (June 18-21), and Mary Harvey, who will be in Thunder Bay (June 21-24), Sudbury (June 25), and Montreal (June 26).

Mary Harvey is a retired American soccer goalkeeper and Hall of Famer for U.S. Soccer, U.S. Olympic Committee, and at her alma mater, Cal Berkley. She was the starting goalie for 1991 U.S. Women's National Team, which won the inaugural 1991 FIFA Women's World Cup; and a member of the 1996 Olympic Gold Medal team. During her visit to Sudbury on June 25, Harvey will give soccer clinics at St. Charles College School (1:00 PM, 1940 Hawthorne Drive) and meet with female youth soccer players at Laurentian University (3:15 PM, 935 Ramsey Lake Road). Joining Mary Harvey in Sudbury will be former Canadian soccer player Helen Stoumbos who is working with the Aboriginal Sports and Wellness Council of Ontario on developing sports programs for aboriginal youth in Ontario.

Media are invited to attend the press conference on June 25, 2015 at 10:30 AM at City Hall (200 Brady Street, Sudbury) and is also welcome to join Soccer Envoy Mary Harvey for a reporting tour including brief interviews on-site and photo opportunities.

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